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The editor of the Richmond (Va.) Whig confesses that, whenever he sees it announced that the whole Federal army has been annihilated, he feels very sure of hearing of a great Confederate defeat the next day.

A pro-slavery man may be defined as a being in human form who cannot distinguish the legal difference between men and beasts.

Well, certainly, there are some beings claiming to be men and some always ranked as beasts, that it might be difficult for the most scientific naturalist to distinguish between.

One Wm. Patch (what relation to Sam Patch who jumped to a conclusion?) writes to the Alexandria Register that he is a northern man and doesn't believe the United States can carry on this war a year longer.

The Knoxville Register says that, if the rebels get us, we shall "die like a dog." Then we shall die just as a good many of them live.

The abolitionists are doing everything in their power to make the Union's Southern friends its enemies.

Deauregard has issued quite enough proclamations. He had better die without further issue.

It is seriously feared that the horrors of war are to be aggravated by the extension of the Congressional session through the summer.

There are no salt-sellers in the South now. A Tennessee paper predicts that Floyd will soon "sour the country." He had better try to sour his hands.

Why do the Confederates complain that they have nothing to eat? The whole rebel cause is "gammon."

A she-rebel writes to us that the sight of our paper caused her dog to fall down in a fit. It does seem to have that effect upon a good many dogs—of both sexes.

We guess that, after the next naval battle near Fort Wright, the rebel flotilla will float "lily."

The Charleston Mercury protests that the rebels "will yield nothing." But they have lately yielded a great deal.

Jeff Davis calls for all the able-bodied men in the Southern Confederacy. Please call again, Jeff.

It is hard to say which fight best, our army or our navy—the blue coats or the blue jackets.

The rebels never did make their own handkerchiefs, and now they haven't got any. They have to wipe their eyes, mouths, and noses with their sleeves and coat-tails.

The officers of the rebel gunboats at Fort Wright promised that, after their engagement with Com. Foote's flotilla, they would come directly on to Louisville and look in upon the editors of the Journal. When may we expect the honor of such distinguished company?

The rebels blew up the Merrimack when they saw that it was about to be captured. Isn't it a little late in the day to blow up their Confederacy?

"Pisayune Butler," since he suppressed another New Orleans paper, has acquired the name of "Delta Butler."

All the Brigadier Generals, Colonels, Majors, and Captains of our armies profess the utmost anxiety to serve their country in the best way they can. Then let half of them resign immediately.

The rebel Congress, after flying from Richmond, made a dash for Danville. We do not presume it will remain there, but, as its symptoms are so alarming, it will hurry home to Montgomery to die.

The American eagle protected the men of the Cotton States under his broad and sheltering wings. Why would they force him to wound them with his terrible beak and talons?

It is to be feared that Secretary Stanton's ascription of the glory of our late victories to the Lord has made some of the heroes in cocked hats very jealous.

The editor of the Syracuse Courier doesn't like our calling him an ass. Why, his genus could not be more unmistakably evident if he were to write himself an ass, using one of his long ears as a writing-brush.

Probably just about as many military honors are bestowed as are deserved. If some persons get less than they deserve, the thing is made amends by others getting more. So don't let us find too much fault.

The Kentucky rebels protest bitterly that they cannot be subdued. And do they suppose that the loyal people of the State, outnumbering them two to one, can be subjugated?

Floyd is in office again. He has not evidently studied one portion of the Charleston Courier's late article on "The Duty of Repentance and Resignation."

President Lincoln won't consent to the emancipation of the southern slaves, but he is resolved on releasing from bondage the southern white folks.

If Jeff Davis and his gang be not hung, our good mother earth will probably prove in disgust ever to bring forth another crop of hemp.

The rebel armies can't get a good view of anything, for they are not able to find a standpoint.

It is known that the New Orleans rebels have buried some of their sick soldiers who are still alive. Perhaps they know best when their friends ought to be tucked away.

A correspondent is angry that the tale he sent us is lost. We don't believe that the loss of his tale makes much difference. It only changes him from a tadpole to a frog.

The Cincinnati Enquirer says that "Commander Farner does not let the grass grow under his feet." People who work on the water seldom do.

In the New York custom-house some seven or eight positions, formerly held by white men, are now filled by negroes.—Exchange.

In the rebel Confederacy, on the other hand, positions that ought to be filled exclusively by negroes are, it is said, occupied not infrequently by white men.

The rebel prisoners in Ohio are no longer permitted to have the services of their slaves. Why should they expect to have slaves to do the work when they have done the most that mortal men could do to destroy slavery?

The rebels, as well as the Federals, claim the victory at Williamsburg. If it is difficult to know which side won the battle, it is very easy to know which won the battlefield.

A bright light, we must acknowledge, has suddenly broken upon the rebel Confederacy—the light of burning cotton, tobacco, towns and villages.

Possibly white folks may be able to get some little legislation out of Congress after the nigger has been duly served.

In Virginia they have thrown so much tobacco into the rivers as to dye the water. If the rebels can't kill the U. S. soldiers, they probably think they can poison the innocent fish. But perhaps the Virginia fish will turn out first-rate tobacco-chewers.

The people living in the regions of the Upper Mississippi have always been considered "lumbering fellows." But they have shown themselves braggart enough in this war against rebellion.

Henry A. Wise is beginning to bluster again. He had better hide himself in an empty snuff-bottle. He could no doubt crawl in at the same hole the nigger crawled out at.

The rebels have now had a regular day of prayer, but it will avail them nothing. The



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